

Round 1 Grant Awards

Of the original 36 Round 1 applications received, six applications dropped out, but several ranked sufficiently high enough to receive a grant award letter. Recipients of grant awards enter into a funding agreement to receive Question 1 funding.

Following is a list of projects awarded funding in the first round of the Question 1 Program. Projects in the categories listed below were funded. Only the Lake Tahoe Pathway System category did not receive funding.

Recreational Trails Projects
Land Acquisitions for Open Space by local communities
Land Acquisitions by non-profits
Land Acquisitions for Urban Parks and Greenbelts by local communities
Carson River Corridor (Acquisitions and Projects)
Open Space Plans
Habitat Conservation Plans

Recreational Trail Funding:

Total Grant Awards: \$616,148

Recreational Trails Projects Awarded Funding:

Job's Peak Trailhead and Trail

DO-RT-04024

Applicant: Douglas County
County Location: DOUGLAS
Total Project Cost: \$145,300
Grant Award: \$85,000
Project Description:

- Engineering and construction of a trailhead parking lot and trail transecting Job's Peak development via an easement.
- Includes 1.5 miles of native surface multiuse trail (Hiking, equestrian, mountain bike use) through private development and linking to public lands (US Forest Service).
- Located within Job's Peak Ranch (Residential Development) on Foothill Road.

Project Green (Pittman Wash)

SL-RT-04001

Applicant: City of Henderson
County Location: CLARK
Total Project Cost: \$1,879,573
Grant Award: \$129,505
Project Description:

- A recreational trail is to be constructed within an urban wash (Pittman Wash; a tributary to Las Vegas Wash). The project includes watershed restoration primarily through the removal of invasive tamarisk and replacement with cottonwoods and other native vegetation types.
- Includes 3.2 miles of trail and interpretive kiosks and signage relative to the watershed restoration effort.
- Located in the City of Henderson, the trail network links to existing regional recreational facilities.

Reese River Multi Use Pathway**LA-RT-04014**

Applicant: Lander County
County Location: LANDER
Total Project Cost: \$128,000
Grant Award: \$96,000
Project Description:

- Links existing pathways and mountain bike trails (Including the Copper Mountain Trail) and to future proposed River Walk project on the Humboldt River.
- Includes 1.0 miles of paved multiuse pathway in an urban area.
- Located within the Reese River drainage in Battle Mountain near Front Street and Old Hwy 8A.

Shoshone Range OHV Trail System, Phase 1**LA-RT-04011**

Applicant: Lander County
County Location: LANDER
Total Project Cost: \$167,555
Grant Award: \$94,808
Project Description:

- Includes 32 miles of ATV and Jeep trails in the backcountry. New ATV trails to be constructed (24 miles) to connect existing trails. Project includes resource protection measures, including re-routing of trail segments out of sensitive areas.
- Construction of planned and managed OHV trails on BLM lands, including staging areas.
- Located East of State Hwy 305, 25 miles South of Battle Mountain.

Tahoe Rim Trail, Kingsbury Link**DO-RT-04030**

Applicant: Tahoe Rim Trail Association
County Location: DOUGLAS
Total Project Cost: \$225,872
Grant Award: \$97,750
Project Description:

- Includes Lake Tahoe Rim Trail planning and construction project in the Upper Kingsbury area. This project converts the last and only paved section of Rim Trail to a native surface trail, completing the Lake Tahoe Rim Trail in its entirety ("The Last Link.")
- Approximately 3 miles of trail to be constructed.
- Trail segment starts to north at Andrea Drive through North Bowl, and on to link to the Bi-State Van Sickle Park.

Winnemucca River Walk**HU-RT-04004**

Applicant: City of Winnemucca and Humboldt County
County Location: HUMBOLDT
Total Project Cost: \$193,000
Grant Award: \$113,085
Project Description:

- The first phase of a larger Question 1 River Walk Project in Winnemucca, the trail component includes construction of sidewalks, landscaping, and lighting.
- Includes 0.53 miles of sidewalks that link to the City's existing downtown Historic Walk. Future trails proposed to be constructed will link Riverside Park to the north side of the Humboldt River on to and around Winnemucca Mountain. Future phases include acquisition of river front property adjacent to the existing Bridge Street Historic Bridge, thereby expanding Riverside Park.

Community Land and Water Acquisition Funding:**Total Grant Awards: \$1,358,491****Land and Water Acquisitions for Open Space by Local Communities Awarded Funding:****Bently Carson River Acquisition****CA-CR-04027**

Applicant: Carson City
County Location: CARSON CITY
Total Project Cost: \$114,300
Grant Award: \$76,200
Project Description:

- Located west of Hot Springs Mountain, and abutting the south side of the Nevada State Prison, the parcel to be acquired is bisected by the Carson River. This acquisition implements goals of the Carson City Open Space Plan by fee title purchase of a parcel abutting BLM land, thereby providing recreational access to the Pine Nut Mountains as well as to the Carson River.
- Acquisition of this undisturbed parcel will protect riparian habitat.
- Parcel size is 36.21 Acres.

Bulin-Holingsworth Carson River Acquisition**CA-CR-04027**

Applicant: Carson City
County Location: CARSON CITY
Total Project Cost: \$104,550
Grant Award: \$69,700
Project Description:

- The parcel to be acquired in fee title fronts the west side of the Carson River just upstream of the Mexican Dam. The parcel is largely undisturbed except for an unpaved road, and includes a mature cottonwood overstory. The acquisition implements goals of the Carson City Open Space Plan primarily through limiting residential development, but also provides opportunities to link trail networks to Silver Saddle Ranch to the north, and protects riparian habitat.
- Size of the parcel is 22 acres.

Fagan/McCleary Conservation Easement**CA-LW-04028**

Applicant: Carson City
County Location: CARSON CITY
Total Project Cost: \$788,625
Grant Award: \$596,347
Project Description:

- Located below Kings Canyon Road west of Carson City, the conservation easement preserves the lower gradient, riparian meadow portion of the property. The upper steeper portion is proposed to be purchased in fee, but this project component is not proposed to be funded at this time. Known as Horse Creek Ranch, 230 acres of meadow are included in the easement that would allow continuation of cattle operations but prevent development similar to that proposed on the Schneider Ranch to the south.
- Riparian habitat is protected.
- A future acquisition in fee of the remaining parcel area will maintain access along Kings Canyon Road, a historic road.
- The Conservation Easement covers 230 acres of the parcel.

Hutchison Acquisition**CA-CR-04028**

Applicant: Carson City
County Location: CARSON CITY
Total Project Cost: \$413,100
Grant Award: \$309,825
Project Description:

- The parcel to be acquired is located south of Kings Canyon Road on a knoll overlooking Eagle and Carson Valleys to the east. A prominent rock outcrop known as "Frog Rock" is located just outside the southeast corner of the property. An inholding of Forest Service land, the property is currently accessed by a primitive trail from Kings Canyon Road. The property access would be open to non-motorized traffic if acquired, and primitive picnicking facilities developed.
- The parcel is 40 acres.

River Park Land Acquisition**DO-UP-04031**

Applicant: Douglas County
County Location: DOUGLAS
Total Project Cost: \$350,000
Grant Award: \$262,500
Project Description:

- This acquisition of riverfront property will facilitate development of a county urban park that will provide additional recreational access to the Carson River primarily to users of paddle craft.
- The parcel is 7.34 acres in size.
- The parcel is located south of Gardnerville downstream from the Lahontan Fish Hatchery.

Walters/Washoe Canyon Acquisition**WA-LW-04021**

Applicant: Carson City
County Location: WASHOE COUNTY
Total Project Cost: \$87,838
Grant Award: \$43,919
Project Description:

- The fee title purchase of a portion of the Walters property potentially links Washoe Canyon to Washoe Lake State Park; access across highway 395 would have to be provided, possibly via an undercrossing through an existing box culvert. Washoe Canyon discharges Little Washoe Lake, and includes two historic V&T Railroad bridges/bridge abutments, and grinding stones.
- A recreational trail with interpretive elements is proposed to be developed linking the state park to residential development to the north (Saint James Village.)
- The portion of the parcel to be acquired is 6.17 acres in size.

Non-Profit Land and Water Acquisition Funding:**Total Grant Awards: \$980,000****Land and Water Acquisitions by Non-Profit Organizations Awarded Funding:****Greil Ranch Conservation Easement****WA-LW-04019**

Applicant: Nevada Land Conservancy

County Location: WASHOE

Total Project Cost: \$460,000

Grant Award: \$230,000

Project Description:

- This conservation easement proposes to preserve a historic working alfalfa ranch, one of the few properties on the east side of Washoe Lake not to be subdivided. State Park property is adjacent to the west, separated by East Lake Blvd. BLM property abuts to the east.
- The easement would allow continuation of the agricultural uses, but prevent subdivision and subsequent residential development of the property.
- The property contains good habitat for common species such as deer that migrate east and west across the property between state and federal land.
- The property is 113 acres in size.
- Located east of Washoe Lake State Park.

Kirman Field Conservation Easement**DO-LW-04029**

Applicant: The Nature Conservancy

County Location: DOUGLAS

Total Project Cost: \$1,530,000

Grant Award: \$750,000

Project Description:

- A conservation easement will cover the majority of the property bisected by approximately 4 miles of the Carson River.
- The project area will allow for recreational access to the river provided the property owner will accept the conditions of a Recreational Management Plan to be prepared by the Conservancy.
- Other project objectives are to protect and restore critical aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems within the river corridor, and to protect the floodplain itself from development.
- The easement within the 1200 acre property reserves outlying portions of the property to continue agricultural uses.
- The property is located six miles southeast of Carson City and six miles north of Minden.

Urban Parks and Greenbelts Acquisition Funding:**Total Grant Awards: \$450,000****Land Acquisitions for Urban Parks and Greenbelts by local communities Awarded Funding:****Jesch Acquisition
WA-UP-04020**

Applicant: Washoe County
County Location: WASHOE
Total Project Cost: \$661,200
Grant Award: \$450,000
Project Description:

- The Jesch property proposed to be acquired in fee title is located between the Bartley Ranch/Anderson Regional Park Complex located in southwest Reno. Acquisition of this property would expand the existing facilities and allow for improved use of the park complex which also includes Windy Hill and Wheatland Park. This represents that last acquisition after the Marr property purchase in 1994 to complete acquisitions for the park complex.
- The parcel includes a 2700 square foot residence and pond.
- The acquisition links Bartley Ranch and Anderson Park.
- The Jesch property is 3.12 acres in size.

Carson River Corridor Funding:**Total Grant Awards: \$864,148****Carson River Corridor (Acquisitions and Projects) Awarded Funding:****Biddinger Conservation Easement
CH-CR-04006**

Applicant: Lahontan Valley Land & Water Alliance, Inc. through Churchill County
County Location: CHURCHILL
Total Project Cost: \$60,000
Grant Award: \$18,500
Project Description:

- The conservation easement would maintain open space by preventing additional residential development on the Carson River, and allow for recreational access via trails along the river.
- The easement covers 4.0 acres of riverfront property.
- The majority of land adjacent to the Carson River in Fallon is in private ownership. The easement will allow continued public access to the Carson River.
- Future proposals include development of a River Park and Interpretive River Walk consistent with the easement.
- The easement is located to the south side of the Carson River adjacent to the Golf Course at Fallon, below the Lahontan Reservoir.

Carson River Park, Phase 2

CA-CR-04003

Applicant: Carson City
County Location: CARSON CITY
Total Project Cost: \$306,316
Grant Award: \$153,158
Project Description:

- The purpose of the project is to expand Carson River Park, an existing outdoor recreation facility, and to expand the available opportunities to observe the Carson River ecosystem, to interpret the surrounding natural and cultural resources, and to further enjoy passive outdoor recreational activities while providing a safe site for the public's use.
- Additional park amenities include picnic shelters, landscaping, and new ranch fencing.
- The park expansion project is located on Carson River Road near Lloyds Bridge and the Carson River, and adjacent to Silver Saddle Ranch.

Carson River Restoration**LY-CR-04036**

Applicant: Lyon County
County Location: LYON
Total Project Cost: \$476,600
Grant Award: \$228,300
Project Description:

- The purpose of the project is to plan for and implement streambank stabilization and restoration projects on the Carson River within Lyon County. Projects are to utilize state of the art techniques to reduce accelerated rates of erosion, enhance riparian vegetation, enhance wildlife habitat, and improve water quality.

Martin Slough Water Quality and Restoration Project**DO-CR-04015**

Applicant: Town of Minden
County Location: DOUGLAS
Total Project Cost: \$925,380
Grant Award: \$462,690
Project Description:

- The purpose of the project is to improve water quality in Martin Slough, to provide a regional storm water detention facility, to enhance the wetlands along the slough, and to provide additional habitat for waterfowl and other wetland species.
- The constructed wetland will include pathways that link to the surrounding residential community and provide an opportunity for walking and bird watching within the enhanced wetland area.
- The above objectives will be achieved by relocating and reconstructing the existing slough, adding meanders, thus lengthening the slough's channel. Additional wetland improvements include construction of three hydraulically controlled inline detention ponds and planting of wetland vegetation.
- Construction of pathways and interpretive displays will encourage public use of the area.
- The acquisition, which is a donation, entails 4.6 acres.
- The property is located in the Town of Minden near Lucerne Street and the proposed Monte Vista Avenue.
- This project phase includes one restoration project of 15 proposed to be implemented over the course of seven years.
- Restoration projects are located along various reaches of the river in Lyon County. The first project location identified is near the Hodges Transportation Automotive Test Track near Fort Churchill.

Open Space Plan Funding:

Total Grant Awards: \$60,000
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Open Space Plans Awarded Grant Funding:
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**City of Fernley Open Space Plan
LY-OS-04013**

Applicant: City of Fernley
County Location: LYON
Total Project Cost: \$130,000
Grant Award: \$27,000
Project Description:

- The purpose of the project is to complete a survey of the ownerships, easements, and boundaries of the Truckee Carson Irrigation District (TCID) Canal and surrounding properties.
- The survey will facilitate acquisition and development of land adjacent to the canal for open space, urban park, and greenbelt purposes.
- The inventory will provide baseline data that will improve the existing Open Space Plan for Lyon County.

**Douglas County Open Space Plan Amendment
DO-OS-04034**

Applicant: Douglas County
County Location: DOUGLAS
Total Project Cost: \$52,000
Grant Award: \$18,000
Project Description:

- The purpose of the project is to update the existing Open Space and Agricultural Preservation Implementation Plan and to develop a current implementation strategy that reflects community goals and objectives identified in the County's Master Plan.
- A draft document will be prepared and circulated for public review, comments integrated, and a final plan presented to the Board of Commissioners for their consideration.
- Adoption of the amended plan will allow Douglas County to more effectively implement open space plan objectives.

**White Pine County Open Space Plan
WH-OS-04016**

Applicant: White Pine County
County Location: WHITE PINE
Total Project Cost: \$20,472
Grant Award: \$15,000
Project Description:

- The purpose of the project is to conduct an Open Space Plan process to inventory and catalog open space resources, conduct public meetings to identify issues, and make recommendations for implementation to the County Commission and Regional Planning Commission.
- The plan will encompass all of White Pine County with special emphasis on the areas previously identified by the County Commission as Urban Interface Priorities (North Steptoe Valley from north of McGill to Conners Pass south of Ely and including portions of Smith Valley and the Lund/Preston Area).
- Adoption of the plan will allow White Pine County to apply for Question 1 funding to acquire open space.

Habitat Conservation Plan Funding:

Total Recommended Grant Awards:	\$270,000
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Habitat Conservation Plan Projects Awarded Funding:
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**Battle Mountain and Fish Creek Sage Grouse Conservation Assessment and Implementation
LA-HC-04017**

Applicant: Lander County
County: LANDER
Total Project Cost: \$44,000
Grant Award: \$28,000
Project Description:

- The South Central Planning Group will conduct Rangeland Health Assessments for Sage Grouse.
- Assessments will occur in Copper Canyon, Buffalo Valley, within the North Buffalo allotments, and on adjacent private lands.

**Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Planning
WA-HC-04018**

Applicant: Department of Wildlife
County: STATEWIDE
Total Project Cost: \$238,146
Grant Award: \$120,328
Project Description:

- The project will produce and/or compile information necessary to complete a statewide Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Plan.
- This planning process is a requirement of accepting federal aid funds available to build the Wildlife Diversity Program in Nevada.

**Nye County Short Term Habitat Conservation Plan
NY-HC-04037**

Applicant: Nye County
County: NYE
Total Project Cost: \$53,000
Grant Award: \$50,000
Project Description:

- Nye County, including the Town of Pahrump, will prepare a Short Term Habitat Conservation Plan to offset impacts to the desert tortoise until a broader comprehensive multiple species habitat conservation plan can be developed for the entire Mojave Desert region of Nye County.

**Southeastern Lincoln County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan and Environmental Impact Statement
LI-HC-04002**

Applicant: Lincoln County
County: LINCOLN
Total Project Cost: \$445,000
Grant Award: \$60,000
Project Description:

- A draft Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan for the desert tortoise, southwestern willow flycatcher, and two plant species will be completed.
- An Environmental Impact Statement will be drafted and submitted to the US Fish and Wildlife Service to determine if impacts will be mitigated in the event a Section 10 Incidental Take Permit is issued to Lincoln County.